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U. S. REINFORCEMENTS IN FAR EAST

Kankakee Girl Is Interned In Hongkong

Miss Charlotte Gower One Of A Group Of Americans

Miss Charlotte Gower, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Gower, 1000 Greenwood avenue, is one of a group of Americans safely interned in Hongkong, Associated Press dispatches said today.

Dispatches from Kwelin, Kiangsi province, China, said information about internment of the Americans came from Chinese Christian refugees from Japanese-occupied Hongkong.

At Lingnan University

Miss Gower has been professor of anthropology at Lingnan university at Canton.

Among the Americans are the following faculty members of the American-supported university: Professor and Mrs. C. N. Laerd; Prof. and Mrs. H. C. Brownell and their 14-year-old daughter; Prof. and Mrs. A. R. Knipper and their 12-year-old daughter; Prof. H. B. Frank; Prof. H. G. Rhodes; Miss Gower; a Mrs. Warden; and Messrs. Kelly, Brown and Castle. There was no news of the whereabouts of another faculty member named Guthrie who joined the army.

The refugees said Miss Marion Dwyer of the Hongkong Y. W. C. A. also was interned.

Sixty American Catholics, including eight who arrived at Hongkong from the United States just before the outbreak of war, also were reported safe.

Faculty Members

Among American faculty members of Lingnan university interned on the campus at Canton were said to be Dr. J. M. Henry, Prof. W. E. Hoffman, Prof. and Mrs. W. E. McDonald and their daughter, and an American nurse, Dr. and Mrs. W. W. Cadbury also were said to be safe.

At the Baptist mission at Hwang-shan in Shantung province were said to be Dr. and Mrs. E. B. Glass, the Rev. C. L. Culpender, Miss Florence Lee and Miss Martha Franks. Missionaries of the American church mission held in their homes at Wulan but allowed considerable freedom were said to include Bishop A. A. Gilman, the Rev. C. L. Pickens, Miss Olive Tomlin and R. A. Keep.

2 Aviation Cadets Killed, Others Are Missing In Crash

Phoenix, Ariz., Feb. 10—(UP)—Three single engine army training planes crashed in a rainstorm near Holbrook, N. M., during the night of an escorted flight to El Paso, Tex., killing two aviation cadets from Luke field army air corps, adding to training base. Two other planes were missing.

An army spokesman said those killed were:

Cadet Earl Buster Fritz, 24, Owen, W. graduate of Whitewater State Teachers college.

Cadet Fay Edward Book, 23, Sterling, Ill., former student at Marquette university.

The pilot of a third plane, Cadet Thomas A. Bohr, 23, Phoenix, bailed out when his ship went out of control and he landed safely.

A training Cadet Walter S. Beamer, 28, Lansing, Mich., and Charles B. Coats, 24, Lubbock, Tex., were reported missing. Army officers said search for the men was being conducted.

A Pair Of Persistent Pussies Upset Whole Neighborhood

Residents in the 500 block on South Poplar avenue will be relieved to know that the pair of cats which have virtually inhabited a tall tree in that block for more than a week, finally came down and left.

Their tree-living habit wouldn't have been so bad except that they meowed and squatted at each other for hours every night, acting extremely catty and keeping the neighborhood awake.

One was a large gray tom cat with a bobbed tail and the other was also gray and slightly smaller. They spent much of the time high in a 60-foot tree in front of the Cavanaugh residence, 545 South Poplar avenue, and as far as anyone could discern, stayed up there day and night.

Ladders Fall
Someone appealed to police who turned the matter over to firemen

Fire-Seared Normandie Succumbs to Tide

Firemen Learn New Duties For War Time

Two state fire department instructors arrived at the Kankakee fire station Monday afternoon for a series of demonstrations in fire-fighting work.

Fire chiefs and firemen from most of the principal towns in this area were on hand to attend one or more sessions of the course which was to conclude this evening.

The instructors are Tom Brooks of Clinton and Norman Conrad of Waukegan. Two others planned to come later for sessions lasting all week, but illness caused a change in their schedules. John Hutchins of Macomb, specialist in bomb work, underwent an operation last week and Ed Phillips of Champaign is in a hospital with flu.

Consequently, the instruction for defense against incendiary bombs and other war weapons will not be given until the state instructors return again at a later date.

All of the Kankakee firemen were on hand and learned a number of little tricks to make rope and hose work easier as well as reviewing first aid and life saving methods.

Father Kills His Daughter At Iroquois

Wanda Baker, 5 Years Old, Shot As She Rests On Day Bed

Wataska, Feb. 10—(RN Special)—Wanda Fay Baker, 5, was accidentally shot and killed by her father, Charles Baker, at their home in the village of Iroquois on Monday afternoon.

Baker had been out in the yard, using a 410 gauge shotgun to shoot a bird. He returned to the house, laid the gun across his knees and started to clean it when it accidentally discharged on a line with the head of his daughter. She was lying on a day bed at the time, 16 feet away.

The charge blasted the child's left eye out and lodged in the brain, killing her instantly. Her mother, Louisa, who also had been outside, walked into the house just as the tragedy occurred.

Sheriff Guy E. Redman and Coroner Vern K. Bussert were called to investigate. The inquest will be held in Sheldon.

Checks Cashed By Soldiers Bounce

Merchants were again warned today against cashing checks tendered by soldiers with whom they are not personally acquainted.

Sgt. Fred Echill, military police officer stationed here, reiterated that he is unable to help merchants recover on checks which bounce. The War department cannot act as a collection agency, he said.

Two more checks for \$12 each were cashed by local merchants last week-end. They were drawn on the Fidelity State bank of Rantoul and tendered by a "pvt. Weller, 5th school squadron."

and Assistant Chief Noah Betourne went out to look the situation over. The felons were in such a position, however, as to make the aerial ladder useless underneath the large limbs.

The pay-off, it seems, was on Sunday when an Angora cat was seen carrying a chunk of ice up to the victim two. Some people in the vicinity also claimed that the obliging Angora even carried food to the others.

They're Squirrely
No one seemed to know who owned the cats and none could account for their squirrely conduct. "Per-siders" in the form of sticks and stones proved futile, however. Last night's snowstorm, however, must have influenced the tabbys to hunt other quarters, for this morning no meows were heard and peace and quiet again reigned.

Majestic Liner Topples Over In Hudson River

Ravaged By Flames But Belief Is Expressed That the Great Ship Can Be Salvaged

By ROBERT MUSEL
New York, Feb. 10—(UP)—Navy engineers inspected the buckled plates and scorched decks of the liner Normandie today as the vessel, renamed the U. S. S. Lafayette for war conversion, lay helplessly on her side in the ice-clogged Hudson river.

Fireboats still poured water on the sprawling bulk and quenched one smoldering remnant of the fire which broke out on the \$60,000,000 vessel yesterday.

As navy engineers examined the Normandie for the possibility of speedy salvage and resumption of the enormous task of converting her, agents of the federal bureau of investigation questioned survivors of the fire for a report to the navy on its cause.

Believed An Accident
The navy and New York fire departments officially attributed the fire to a welder's acetylene torch, which an eyewitness said had sprayed sparks onto highly inflammable sapok, a heavy material used in construction work. Sabotage was not definitely ruled out, however, since the FBI had not completed its investigation.

Navy officers denied a wave of waterfront rumors about sabotage, disorders among workmen, and even that the ship could not be salvaged.

"The navy supports no such contention," a spokesman said. Fire officials who helped direct the long battle to save the world's second largest vessel from the fury of a five-alarm fire, estimated that loss might amount to \$5,000,000 a minor matter to naval officers, who were more concerned about the time lost in conversion of the 83,000-ton liner.

Left Topheavy
During the night thousands of tons of water had been poured into the vessel. The fire was extinguished, except for a few smoldering portions in remote portions of its great interior, but the weight of the water left the liner topheavy on the incoming tide. Twelve hours after the blaze started, the Normandie rolled gently away from her dock early today until her port side rested on the silty bottom.

Immediately fire blazed again from the seared interior of her superstructure, but it was extinguished in 40 minutes and the weary hundreds of naval and municipal fire-fighters who had battled to save her since yesterday afternoon, left her to the engineers who must solve the monumental problem of righting her.

Formerly the Normandie, pride of the French merchant marine and

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Fern Wright, Music Teacher Here 40 Years, Succumbs

Miss Fern Wright, 61, music teacher, died at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon at her home, 1248 Maple street.

Funeral services will be conducted in the Phillips & Friday funeral home Wednesday afternoon at 1 o'clock by the Rev. Grover C. Whitsett, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, followed by burial in Mount Grove cemetery.

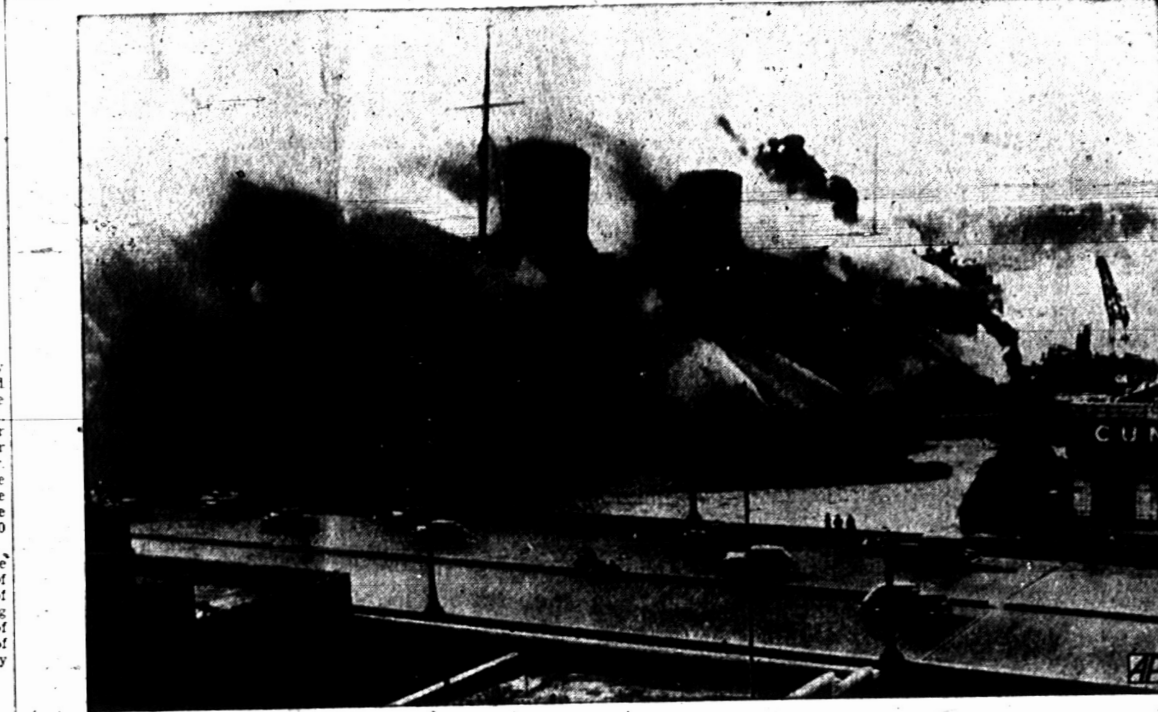
Friends may call at the funeral home this evening and tomorrow. She is survived by her mother, Mrs. Mary Wright of Kankakee, a brother, P. L. Wright of Hammond and a sister, Mrs. Pansy Dray of 1105 South Myrtle avenue.

Miss Wright graduated from the Kankakee Conservatory of Music in 1902 under Prof. C. W. Best and had been a teacher of music in Kankakee until four months ago.

August Radeke's Estate \$64,000

The will of August C. Radeke, Kankakee, who died Feb. 2, was admitted to probate today by County Judge C. D. Henry who issued letters testamentary to the son, Donald and The City National bank. The value of the estate is estimated at \$28,000 in personal property and \$36,000 in real estate. The heirs are the son Donald, 645 South Indiana avenue, and daughters Mrs. Loretta L. Meents, 237 East River street, and Miss Carolyn Radeke, 261 East Bourbonnais street.

The services were largely attended.



Normandie Burns at Hudson Pier

Fire boats pour water on the former French liner Normandie as flames swept the ship at its Hudson river pier in New York.

Savage Struggle Surges Through Singapore Island

British In Desperate Battle To Hold Against Invaders

BULLETIN
London, Feb. 10—(AP)—Gloom pervaded London today as reports from Singapore told of the grave situation of defenders of that important base, but authoritative quarters believed earlier suggestions that the Japanese had penetrated as far as Singapore city itself were incorrect.

Latest reports, these quarters said, place the Japanese about 10 miles from the city. An exchange teletype dispatch from Singapore today said the British had begun to apply a scorched earth program with the blowing up of all oil tanks and the firing of all rubber, pineapple and other factories in the north-west area of the island.

By C. YATES MC DANIEL
Singapore, Feb. 10—(AP)—Japanese troops were pouring onto this beleaguered island today and maintained heavy pressure against battered British imperials who have been forced to fall back before the guns and airplane attacks of the invaders.

It was announced officially by British headquarters that the Japanese made further landings on Singapore island during the night, sending reinforcements to the advance guards which had crossed Sunday night and established fighting bases.

(The Berlin radio, quoting the Tokyo newspaper Nichi Nichi, said today the Japanese commander in Malaya and Singapore island had demanded the surrender of the British.

Japs Repair Causeway
(A Domei dispatch to Tokyo said the half-mile causeway connecting Singapore island and Johore strait, breached by the British, had been repaired and that Japanese troops and supplies were pouring over it.)

The Japanese were continuing the familiar infiltration tactics by which they forced the British to withdraw time and again in the battle of Malaya.

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Huckins Funeral Services Monday

Funeral services for W. W. Huckins, fuel dealer, were held Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock from the Phillips and Friday funeral home with the Rev. Wayne A. Garrard and the Rev. E. E. Karr of Chicago officiating. Interment was in Mount Grove cemetery.

Palbearers were Angus More, James More, Werner Schroeder, Len Exos, Coran Morris and Morgan Beaumont.

8 Houses Of Prostitution Closed Here

Operators of eight houses of prostitution in the city and county were arrested yesterday and today by city police and the sheriff's office.

All pled guilty to keeping houses of ill fame and all were ordered to close their establishments and keep them closed.

In the city, five operators appeared before Magistrate Edward Hoennicke and were fined \$50 and costs each, including Betty Wilson, 489 1-2 North Harrison avenue; Nell Clark, 367 South West avenue; Ethel Warren, 149 South West avenue; Martha Brown, colored, 629 1-2 Evergreen avenue; and Betty Jones, colored, 1046 1-2 East Birch street.

Similar fines were meted out to the three from the rural area who appeared before Justice Henry R. Bauer. They were Mary Howell, Red Top Inn on highway 45; June Meyers, highway 114 near the state line; and Sue Scott, 17 club, six miles east on highway 17.

Jailed 3 Times In 10 Days As Drunk; Sent To Vandalia

Tim Wilson, 1198 South Schuyler avenue, was back in jail again yesterday for the third time in 10 days.

He left police court about 10:30 o'clock Wednesday morning after settling for a fine of \$25 for drunkenness and at 1 p. m. he had to be brought back to the city lockup, intoxicated again.

Wilson was taken into county court this morning and sentenced by Judge C. D. Henry to serve six months at Vandalia for habitual drunkenness.

The case of disorderly conduct pending against John Buflo, tavern operator of 182 South East avenue, was disposed of Monday afternoon when his attorney, Victor Cardosi, appeared to enter his plea of guilty and tender the fine of \$10, and costs assessed by Magistrate Edward Hoennicke.

Buflo was arrested by police last Jan. 28 following a quarrel with Tom McDermott, bartender at the McCoy tavern, 131 East Merchant street.

Charges against E. E. Bentley, route 2, Kankakee, who entered as a peacekeeper and got mixed up in the affray, were dismissed in police court.

St. Anne Residence Damaged In Fire

Fire supposedly started from an overheated furnace damaged the residence on Station street in St. Anne, tenanted by Archille Olene and owned by Mrs. Elizabeth Baron, this morning.

The fire was stopped by the volunteer fire department of the village after considerable damage by smoke and water.

Every Person To Get Ration Book For Sugar

3/4 Of A Pound A Week To Be Allotted For Each Individual

Arrangements for future sugar rationing in Kankakee county were announced today by George E. Luehrs, county rationing director.

The instructions received by him from Henry Pope Jr., Chicago, state rationing administrator, does not say when the restrictions are to become effective.

Each book will contain 28 stamps. Each stamp will entitle the book holder to purchase weekly an amount of sugar to be announced by the office of price administration, based on quotas set by the war production board.

The amount will probably be three-quarters of a pound per person per week at the start of the program, says the instruction.

When consumers apply for the stamp books they will be required to certify the amount of sugar the family has on hand. More than two pounds of sugar per person will be considered as hoarding, and the number of stamps covering the hoarded amount will be removed from the stamp book.

Stiff Penalties

The penalty for false statements are a fine up to \$10,000 or 10 years imprisonment.

In making a sugar purchase, the consumer will tear a stamp out of the book in the presence of the storekeeper who will paste it on a card which will be turned in to the supplier for replenishment of sugar stock.

CHICAGO LICENSE

A marriage license has been issued in Chicago to Alan C. Yeates, 30, 394 West Hawkins street, and Mrs. Margaret Riberdy, 28, Chicago.

The Weather

(Tuesday, Feb. 10, 1942)
Hourly temperature readings from 1 o'clock Monday afternoon to noon today are:

High at 3 p. m. 24, low at 8 a. m. 21.
A year ago fair, high 41, low 30.
1 p. m. 22 1 a. m. 24
2 p. m. 23 2 a. m. 24
3 p. m. 24 3 a. m. 24
4 p. m. 24 4 a. m. 23
5 p. m. 24 5 a. m. 23
6 p. m. 25 6 a. m. 23
7 p. m. 25 7 a. m. 22
8 p. m. 25 8 a. m. 21
9 p. m. 24 9 a. m. 22
10 p. m. 24 10 a. m. 22
11 p. m. 24 11 a. m. 22
Midnight 24 Noon 23

Little change in temperature tonight; occasional very light snow in extreme north portion.

Occupy Several Way Stations On 4,000 Mile Route

Battle Of Supply Line From American Factories To Battle Front Has Been Won

(The following report to the Christian Science Monitor was cleared direct by cable from Wellington, New Zealand, where an allied censorship is in force)

Boston, Feb. 10—(AP)—The arrival at Wellington, New Zealand, of the vanguard of a United States naval force was reported today to the Christian Science Monitor by its correspondent, Joseph C. Harsch, who described also the landing of American reinforcements at "way stations along the route" from Pearl Harbor.

In a copyrighted story, Harsch told of his landing at Wellington from a destroyer, described as the first unit of Admiral Herbert F. Leary's American forces. He said the landfall was reached even before the public announcement of Admiral Leary's appointment to command all allied forces in the Anzac area.

The Monitor's correspondent said he traveled part of the way from Pearl Harbor with the forces that attacked the Japanese mandated Gilbert and Marshall islands. Then he changed to another unit by breeches buoy in mid-Pacific.

Thereafter, he said, he "spent many days among the tropic islands where ships well known to the luxury trade poured American reinforcements into way stations" along the 4,000 mile route from Hawaii to New Zealand. After describing the waving of hats and flags as the destroyer came into Wellington harbor at 23 knots, Harsch added:

Symbol of Victory
"Behind the color of this little act in a great drama lay a symbol of an important American victory. The battle of the supply line from America's factories to the far Pacific battle front has been won. Japan has suffered its first serious reverse. An American admiral commands the terminus of the supply route. The way stations have been secured. Bluejackets are here. And the way is open for reinforcements and the vital weapons of war."

The correspondent said he left Pearl Harbor on an airplane carrier, accompanied by destroyers and cruisers, but that "no battleships encumbered swift movements."

One night, he said, the Japanese radio announced the sinking of the force with which he was sailing, including the aircraft carrier. At sunrise, he added, he climbed to the sky contrails and found the entire force intact. He added:

"The Japanese utterly did nothing to interfere with the original

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Rationing Of Cars Starts Thursday

Rationing of new automobiles in Kankakee county will begin Thursday, it was announced today by George E. Luehrs, county rationing director.

During the two-week period beginning on that date, rationing will be restricted to the release of automobiles, actually purchased before Jan. 1. Persons who can show that they made bona fide purchase before that date may obtain release certificates.

After Feb. 28, rationing will be devoted to the release of automobiles on a basis similar to that for tire rationing.

Details For Registration Next Monday

Registration of men in Kankakee township for selective service next Monday will be in public grade school buildings, it was announced today by William H. Maitland, chairman of selective service board No. 1.

The registration is for all men of the township who have attained their 20th birthday on or before Dec. 31, 1941 and who have not attained their 45th birthday on or before Feb. 16, 1942, who have not previously registered.

Men are to register at the grade school building closest to their residence but, if this is not convenient, they may do so at any school building. The registration time is from 7 a. m. to 9 p. m.

The registration will be done under the supervision of Irving Munson, superintendent of city schools, assisted by teachers and volunteer workers.

Men actually employed in defense industries are to register in the selective service office on the third floor of the courthouse on Saturday, Feb. 14, from 9 a. m. to 7 p. m. Men so registering must have credentials to show they are working on defense plants.

Wife Says Hubby Throws Dishes

Thomas Lindsey, 430 West Stone street, was arrested Monday evening by Officers Wallace Flannery and Curtis Fred on a warrant signed by his wife Kathie charging assault and battery.

She claims he came home intoxicated, struck her and threw dishes at her. One was a broken saucer which caused a wound on her little finger. Lindsey was fined \$25 in police court.

Firemen Extinguish 2 Worst Fires Here This Winter

City firemen had to interrupt their school of instruction twice Monday afternoon and evening to extinguish the largest fires they have had in recent months.

At 6:05 o'clock last evening they were called to the Blait Iron and Coal company junkyard, 860 North Greenwood avenue, where flames originating in the main office of the warehouse were rapidly spreading through rooms partitioned by inflammable paperboard materials.

The stove was believed to have become overheated and ignited the partitions. Smoke poured from all parts of the structure when firemen arrived, but they succeeded in preventing flames from going through into the second floor. Most of the damage was in the southwest corner of the building, where office equipment and records were destroyed.

Rubber Tires Saved
The loss, estimated at \$1,000, was not covered by insurance. A stock of rubber tires was among the valuable items saved.

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The Voice of Broadway

By Dorothy Kilgallen

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Former Resident Buried At Sheldon

Sheldon, Feb. 10.—(RN Special)—Graveside services were held in the Sheldon cemetery Saturday for Mrs. Jennie McNeely, former Sheldon resident, who died at the age of 85.

Change School Time
 With war time going into effect Monday, a change was made in the school time. Both grade and high schools will open 15 minutes later than usual and be dismissed 15 minutes earlier in the evening.

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THE RIGHT MAN IN THE RIGHT PLACE



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Kankakeean Talks To Farmers' Class At Grant Park

Herman Brault of Kankakee will discuss care and repair of farm machinery on Thursday evening at 8 at the Grant Park adult evening school meeting. A tractor and a plow will be on exhibit.

The remaining copies of the adult evening school are: Feb. 12, farm machinery; Feb. 19, diseases of livestock; Feb. 26, fertilizer; March 5, soybeans; March 12, safety on the farm.

To St. Louis

The Rev. E. A. Wahl and family, in company with the Rev. L. R. Peschel of Lake Zurich and the Rev. Paul G. Bloesch of Crown Point, left for St. Louis on Monday. The ministers will attend a three day convocation at Eden Theological seminary, Webster Grove, Mo. Mrs. Wahl and son Bobbie will spend a few weeks with her parents in Herman, Mo. Rev. Wahl will return home Friday.

Notes

The Rev. E. A. Wahl officiated at a wedding Friday in Crown Point. The groom was one of Rev. Wahl's schoolmates.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Thorne of Chicago Heights are parents of an 8 pound son born Sunday in St. James hospital. The mother is the former Pearl Henerberg, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Henerberg of Grant Park. This is their first baby.

The following were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Mine Cirk on Wednesday evening in honor of Mrs. Cirk's birthday: Mr. and Mrs. George Frahm, Mr. and Mrs. George Phebus, Mr. and Mrs. Claud Katz and daughter, Miss Minnie Cirk and Miss Rose Drew of Chicago Heights. Cards were the diversion and refreshments were served.

Mrs. Roy Engleking was hostess to the Lucky club Friday. Bunco was played and prizes awarded to Mrs. Ed Schultz, Mrs. Meddie Arsenau, Mrs. George Heusing and Mrs. Lester Bolcken. Mrs. Nell Bahr of Lowell will be next hostess. Refreshments were served.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Weber of Chicago Heights entertained the Pinochle club Friday evening. Prizes went to Mr. and Mrs. Martin Hamann, Mrs. Lester Bolcken and Roy Engleking. Refreshments were served.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Deavers entertained the Earl Bleckfeld family and Mary Deavers of Crete and Miss Thelma Deavers of Chicago Heights at dinner Sunday in honor of Mary Deavers' birthday.

Mrs. Milford Bolcken is a patient in St. Mary hospital at Kankakee where she will submit to a gynecological operation Wednesday.

Miss Rose Drew, Mrs. Rice, Miss Minnie Cirk and Bernice Ahrens of Chicago Heights were Monday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Mine Cirk. Mr. and Mrs. Davis Johnson and son spent the week-end with her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. Moeller in Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. Melcher of Chicago and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Graf were Sunday guests of Mrs. Augusta Pfingsten.

The Ernest Schneider family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lehnert in Peotone.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Wiese of Kankakee, Mr. and Mrs. John Rowlinson of Crown Point, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Carstens, Mrs. Augusta Pfingsten and family and Glen Luff were Sunday guests of the George Staack family.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Denny of Chicago were Saturday visitors in Grant Park. Mrs. John Schult returned to Chicago with them for a visit.

The Help-A-Bit group of the Methodist church will be the guests of Mrs. H. A. Cole on Wednesday.

ARMY ODDITY

Fort Benning, Ga.—(INS)—Because their daily work necessitates keeping the army supplied with everything from soup to nuts, the quartermaster corps officials at Fort Benning have become case-hardened to oddities. Even so, many an eye was lifted when they saw a message from Camp Forest, Tenn., dutifully signed by "Lt. Pullman C. Carr, rail transportation officer."



Mrs. Nathan Hanna Is Given Shower At Piper City

Piper City, Feb. 10.—(RN Special)—Mrs. A. G. Liebe, Mrs. Bertha Hogan and Mrs. Bert Hanna were hostesses Saturday in the home of Mrs. Liebe honoring Mrs. Nathan Hanna at a miscellaneous shower. Games and contests were played.

Those present were: Misses Ruth Talbott, Anna Kelly, Lois Read, Ruby Anderson, and Mesdames Katherine Talbott, Mary Averacker, Edna Talbott, Esther Day, Lilla Wilson, Clara Read, Mary Schoon, C. E. Miller, J. D. Cooper, Blanche Koettner, Jesse Johnson, Mardelle Freichs, Bert Hanna, Ida Sherman and Mrs. Herman Weber of Mendota. Books were presented the gifts to Mrs. Hanna.

The Precilla circles party at the Methodist church Friday night was postponed because of the weather. This was also in honor of Mrs. Nathan Hanna.

Misses Miriam Harford and Helen Meisenhender were hostesses last Saturday night in the home of Miss Harford, honoring Miss Jacqueline Lyle Mueller of Kankakee, at the Presbyterian church here Saturday.

Mrs. Frank Boudl, Mrs. Marian Wade and Mrs. Margaret Boudl were hostesses Thursday in the home of Mrs. Boudl, honoring Miss Anna Miller who will marry Lawrence Walle here Thursday.

A great many Piper City people were forced to go without sleep Friday and Saturday due to the heavy rains which flooded the basement. Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Smith, who live in the east part of town, moved out because of water coming in the first floor. Herman Weber of Mendota came Saturday to get his wife who visited in the Liebe home the last 10 days.

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Hanna of Champaign were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Allan Day.

The Piper Home bureau and will have an all day meeting in the home of Mrs. John Peol on Wednesday, assisted by Mrs. W. W. Hawthorne and Mrs. Ida Sherman.

Miss Lillian Merritt, county judge, and Mrs. Oscar Chavez will present the lessons. A covered dish dinner will be served at noon.

Postmaster P. L. Kelly has announced his sold 531 federal automobile tax stamps up to Feb. 1.

Mrs. Otto Cummings of Rice Hill, Mo., is moving to Kankakee Saturday to the home of her daughter, Mrs. C. C. Smith.

Mrs. Lena Cieswell who suffered a cerebral hemorrhage last week and was in a critical condition since a reported to be improving other equipment.

Stars Not Wanted Unless They Donate Their Services

Washington, Feb. 10.—(AP)—Dancing Marlene Dietrich and Hollywood's Melvyn Douglas have it straight from the house of representatives that they aren't wanted in the civilian defense setup unless they serve as volunteers without pay.

And the office of civilian defense has been cautioned that any trails and fancies will be subject to congressional investigation.

That is how the house wound up the first act of the wartime controversy over the place of the arts in air raid precautions. It approved and sent to the senate late yesterday a \$100,000,000 appropriation for gas masks, fire-fighting and other equipment.

But the appropriation carries a strict prohibition against employment of movie actors and dancers voted after two days of heated debate. In the debate there was scathing criticism of the administration for selecting the stars instead of an "arts" section in the OGD and for choosing Melvyn Douglas, a friend of Mrs. Roosevelt, to head a division on civilian defense. Douglas said that any Hollywood star who volunteered to serve in the agency would be investigated. House complaints were primarily to put OGD officials on notice that future employment of Douglas and Miss Chaney would not be tolerated for they already are being paid from funds in another appropriation which is expected to be passed in the next few days.

More than 60 per cent of the world supply of cotton is produced in the U. S.

Escaped From Normandie Blaze

Volunteer rescue workers aid a blanket-wrapped workman who escaped from the fire which swept the former French liner Normandie at its Hudson river pier at New York City. At least 170 of the 2200 persons on board the vessel were injured.

Student Enrollment At University Of Illinois Declines

Champaign, Ill., Feb. 10.—(AP)—The University of Illinois enrollment for the second semester has dropped 12.6 per cent below that of the last semester.

Registrar G. P. Tuttle, who said the enrollment totaled 9,578, attributed the decline to the war.

MOISTURE METER

Lansing, Mich.—(INS)—A moisture meter has been developed at Michigan State college here to tell a western farmer if his soil needs water and, if so, how much irrigating he should do. Small pieces of porous plaster are placed at designated levels below the ground and the meter is attached to them by means of wires. Dials, registering the amount of electrical resistance in the buried plates, give accurate data on the moisture content of the soil.

Automobile windshield stickers are prohibited by 23 states.

NOTICE OF CLAIM DAY

Notice is hereby given to all persons that March 2nd, 1942, is the claim date in the estate of Philip Mulligan, deceased pending in the County Court of Kankakee County, Illinois, and that claims may be filed against the said estate on or before said date without issuance of summons.

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